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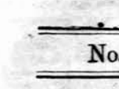

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ROSSELET & Co., have always on hand, a nice choice of Ladies' and Gentlemen's Companions, Pic-Nic, Hitos, Travelling Inkstands, Portfolio, Portmonaico, and Cigar Cases, fine French Stationery.

ROSSELET & Co., received per last mail, a nice lot of Meerschaum Pipes, from Rs. 10 to 20, Wooden ditto, of different shapes and sizes, Rs. 1 to 4.

MRS. LAKE has just received "Overland" per Steamer *China*, the following, viz:—
Ladies' Crinoline Bonnets.
Boys' and Girls' Crinoline Hats.
Ladies' Black Straw Hats.
Bridal Wreaths and Bouquettes.
Black Spanish Lace Shawls.
Ladies' French Corsets.
White and Colored Feathers.
Hair Plaits.
Mohair Dresses *for Monsoon Wear*,
"A very Choice Selection of French Flowers."
"The New Cardinalus Collapsing Steel Petticoat."
Embroidered Muslin Collars and Sleeves.

MRS. LAKE begs to notify to the Ladies of Bombay, &c., that they will always find a large and fashionable assortment of every requisite for Wedding and Mourning Orders at her Establishment, No. 7, Byculla Road.

N. B.—Orders from Outstations must be accompanied by a Remittance or reference for payment in Bombay, or no notice will be taken of them.

No. 7, Byculla Road, Bombay, 21st May 1863.

JACOB AND COMPANY,

CIVIL, Military, and Outfitting establishment, Bombay, always on hand a large assortment of Black, Blue and Scarlet West of England Cloths.

Black, Blue, and Oxford Mixed Doeskins and Venetians.
A variety of Fancy Cassemeres, Scotch Tweeds, Heather mixtures and Fancy Flannels, for Suits.
Drab, Brown, and Oxford mixed Corded Angolas, admirably adapted for Riding Trowsers.
Black and Colored Silk Alpacas.
Fancy Silk and Lace Neck Ties, and Scarfs.
Black Silk Hats, from the best manufacturers.
Kilwood's Patent Ventilating Felt Helmets, and every other description of Hat, at present in vogue in London, suited for all purposes, lately arrived.
Angolas, Gauze, and Thread Under-Shirts.
Brown and White Thread and Angola Socks.
Gentlemen's Boots and Shoes.
Trunks, Portmanteaus, Carpet Bags, Railway Wrappers, Writing Desks, Fancy Soaps, and Perfumery.
Karcka Shirts, Ellwood's Air Chamber Helmets and Felt Hats Single and Double Barrelled Guns.
Double Barrelled Pistols and Revolvers.
A good supply of Ready-made Coats, Vests, and Trowsers, of every description, and Flannel Shirts, always on hand.
Cashmere, Nemegerry, and Cabul Shawls, Scarfs, Coats, and Dressing Gowns.
Bombay and Malabar-work and Persian Carpets.
A large assortment of China Shawls, Work Boxes, Fans, and Curiosities.
A small assortment of real Meerschaum Pipes.
Patterns and Instructions for measurement sent Post Free.
N. B.—The Tailoring Department is under the superintendence of a thoroughly competent European Cutter, and Gentlemen may rest assured that all orders will be executed in a proper manner.
Ladies and Gentlemen proceeding to England will find the above cheaper than any other House can supply them.
Orders from Outstations should be accompanied by a remittance or reference for payment in Bombay.

JOHNSON'S PORTFOLIO of INDIAN PHOTOGRAPHS, contains in addition to the Collection of Costumes and Characters, Views in Bombay, Poona, Wasee, Sattara, Mahableshwar, Jeejooree, Beejapoor, Guzzeree, &c. &c. the Caves of Elephanta, Kenhery, and Karlee, the latter with descriptive Letter Press, by Dr. Wilson.

ALSO,

A series of 45 Photographs, illustrating the Railway Works in progress on the Bhore Ghaut, and the scenery of Khandalla.

Also, Railway Viaducts at Tanna, Poona, over the Bheema, and between Callian and Shapoor.

A specimen book lies in the office of the undersigned, to whom all applications for any of the above should be made.

Bombay, 3, Marine Street. THOMAS CRAWFORD

FRESH STORES.—DUKE & SON'S CRICKETING MATERIALS—

Best Treble Bails	Rs.	5 0
Do. Double ditto	,,	3 12
Do. Youth's do	,,	3 0
Do. do. do	,,	1 8
Do. All Cane, Spring Handle Bats	,,	11 0
Do. Malacca do. do.	,,	8 0
Do. Men's Mate No. 1 do.	,,	5 0
Do. Boys' Bats, various prices.		
Do. Men's Match Stumps, Brass Ferruled	,,	6 8
Do. Boys' do, various prices.		

MAGNETIC MACHINES, Rs. 25 to 70 each.

CHUBB'S PATENT LOCKS.

TILL OR DRAWER size 2½ and 2¾ ins., each ..... Rs. 10 0

CUPBOARD.

STRAIGHT, CCT, 3, 3½ & 4,
To secure on Flat. *To let to Flush.* ins. each ..... ,, 10 0
BOX OR CHEST. 2½, 3 and 3½ ins., each ... Rs. 11 to 12 0
PAD LOCKS, 2½, 2¾, 3 and 3½ ins., each ... ,, 14 to 17 8
SAFE with Patent Locks ..... Rs. 175 0

CHUBB'S JAPANNED BOXES,
Each fitted with Patent Detector Lock and Two Keys.

CASH BOXES.

Toilet	— 6	long,	3½	wide,	2¾	deep	each ... Rs. 18 0
No. 00	— 7½	,,	4	,,	3	,,	,, ... 20 0
No. 1	— 9	,,	5¼	,,	3½	,,	,, ... 21 0
No. 2	— 9¾	,,	6	,,	3¾	,,	,, ... 23 0
No. 3	—10¾	,,	6	,,	4	,,	,, ... 25 0
No. 4	—12	,,	7	,,	5	,,	,, ... 28 0
No. 5	—13	,,	8	,,	5¾	,,	,, ... 32 0

PAPER BOXES.

No. 1	—14½	long,	9	wide,	5½	deep	each ... Rs. 25 0
No. 2	—13½	,,	9½	,,	6	,,	,, ... 29 0
No. 3	—12¾	,,	10¼	,,	6½	,,	,, ... 33 0
No. 4	—19	,,	12½	,,	7½	,,	,, ... 39 0

DEED BOXES.

No. 1	—13½	long,	9¼	wide,	8½	deep	each ... Rs. 23 0
No. 2	—12¾	,,	12	,,	11	,,	,, ... 29 0
No. 3	—23½	,,	16½	,,	16½	,,	,, ... 45 0

FLAT DEED BOXES.

No. 3 —16½ long, 12½ wide, 6 deep ..... each ... Rs. 32 0

MOROCCO DESPATCH BOXES.
JAPANNED PALANQUIN BOXES.
RUSSIA WRITING DESKS, fitted.
COMMERCIAL LETTER and NOTE PAPERS.

Per Overland Mail.

The usual stock of HAMS, CHEESES and BACON
OX TONGUES, &c.
PHOTOGRAPHIC CHEMICALS of all kinds.
BEST ALBUMENIZED PAPER.
PIANOFORTES.—The best going, and the lowest prices.
MUSICAL BOXES with and without Drums and Bells.
MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS for Military Bands.
MESS STORES of all kinds.
WINES of very superior quality

Commercial.

BOMBAY DAILY BILL, SHARE, STOCK, AND FREIGHT LIST.

BOMBAY GAZETTE OFFICE,
Wednesday, 17th June 1863.

EXCHANGE.

On What Place.	Terms.	Rates.
London Banks	6 months' sight	2s. 0¾d.
Do. Credits	Do.	2s. 0¾d.
Do. Documents	Do.	2s. 0¾d.
Calcutta	At sight	100¼
Madras	30 days' sight	109¾
China	60 Do.	230 per $100.

SHARES.

Names	Paid up	Last Half-yearly Dividend.	Rates.
BANKS.	Rs.		[ex divd.
Agra Bank	500	5 pr. ct.	125 per cent pm.
Bombay Bank	1,000	4½ do.	168 prem.
Central Bank	250	2½ do.	24 prem.
Commercial Bank	500	4 do.	50 ex divid.
Chartered Bank of India, A. & China	200	2½ do.	25 premium.
Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China	250	5 do.	112 premium.
Oriental Bank Corporation	250	8 do.	130 pr. ct. pm.
Madras Bank	1,000	4½ do.	134 premium.
PRESS COS.			
Apollo Press Co.	11,000	1,800 per share.	Rs. 24,000 p. sh.
Colaba Press Co.	2,700	300 do.	Rs. 4,000 p. sh.
Fort Press Co.	3,667	575 per share	Rs. 10,800 p. sh.
Hydraulic Press Co.	4,000	350 per share	Rs. 1,999 pm. p. [share.
Hipintosee Land & Press Co.	6,000	250 per share	Rs. 12,000 p. sh. [prem.
RAILWAY COS.			
G. I. P. Railway Co.			
Consolidated Stock	218-3-0	pr. ct.	Rs. 8 prem.
Do. New £20 shares	130.14.6	2½ do.	Rs. 12 prem.
Bombay Baroda & C. I. R. Co.	1,000	2½ do.	Nominal.
SPINNING & WEAVING COS.			
Bombay, Spinning & Weaving Co.	5,000	1,000 per share.	300 dis.
Great Eastern Spinning & Weaving Co.	1,100	.....	Rs. 200 disct.
Manockjee Pittyspinning & Weaving Co.	550	.....	Rs. 150 disct.
Oriental Spinning & Weaving Co.	2,500	450 Rs. p. share.	Rs. 300 prem.
Royal Spinning and Weaving Co.	1,500	.....	Rs. 200 disct.
Victoria Spinning Co.	5,000	.....	Rs. 300 disct.
Bombay United Spinning & Weaving Co.	4,500	.....	Rs. 250 disct.
Jafer Alee Spinning and Weaving Company, Limited	125	.....	Nominal.
Bonmjee Wadia Spinning Co	5,000	.....	Rs. 200 disct.
Colaba Land Co.	10,000	Rs. 100	Rs. 15,000.
Throstle Mill Co.	3,000	.....	Rs. 2,000 disct.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Four Per Cent. Transfer Loan 104
" Loan 1835-36 .....
" Loan 1842-43 ..... 92½
" Loan 1854-55 .....
New Five per Cent. Loan 109¼
Five and a Half Per Cent. Loan 119

PRICES OF BULLION, &c.

Sovereigns, each	Rs.	10-4½
Bank of England Notes	"	10-3
Spanish Dollars	"	206
Carolus	"	200
Mexican Dollars	"	225
German Crowns	"	213
Five Franc Pieces	"	205
Bar Silver	"	107½
Gold Leaf	"	14 12

FREIGHTS.

To Liverpool (Cotton) ..... £2 7s. 6d. to £3 0s. 0d.
" (Seed) ..... £1 5s. 0d. to £1 15s. 0d.
To London (Cotton) ..... £2 10s. 0d. to £2 15s. 0d.
" (Seed) ..... £2 5s. 0d. to £2 10s. 0d.
To China .....
To Clyde ..... No enquiry.
To Hull .....
To Calcutta and back ..... Rs. 20 offered.

(PRICES CURRENT (16th June 1863.)

COTTON at Colaba		Per candy.
Broach and Surat New (ready.)	Rs.	490 to 495
New Dholleras, (ready.)	"	483 to 485
New Bhownuggur, (ready.)	"	484 to 485
New Oomrawtee	"	450 to 455
New Compta	"	460 to 465
New Dharwar Sawginned	"	565 to 570
New Barsee, and Nuggur	"	445 to 450
New Veraval	"	445 to 465
New Khandeish	"	435 to 445
New Poratchee	"	460 to 465
New Accote	"	465 to 470
New Mangalore	"	455 to 460
OPIUM—Malwa, Rs. 1,600 to 1,610.		
SEEDS—Linseed, Khandeish...at Rs.		6-12 to 6-13 per cwt.
Rapeseed, Guzerat ...	"	7- 4 to 7- 6
Gingelly mixed (Black and White)	"	32 to 33
	"	37 to 38
Niger	"	27 to 28

Banks.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

Paid-up Capital—£644,000.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER.
London Bankers, { The Bank of England. / The City Bank.

Branches and Agencies.
Bombay, Calcutta, Singapore, Hongkong and Shanghai.

BOMBAY AGENCY.

EXCHANGE.

THE Bank's Agency in Bombay grants Bills of Exchange on THE CITY BANK, London, at the following rates, viz :—

6 months' sight (not under £50) at 2s. per Rupee.
4 Do. at 1s. 11 23/32d. "
3 Do. at 1s. 11¾d. "
2 Do. at 1s. 11¾d. "
1 Do. at 1s. 11¾d. "
On Demand (Head Office) at 1s. 11¾d. "

DEPOSITS.

Interest is allowed on CURRENT ACCOUNTS at 2 per cent. per annum, on the daily balance, and on FIXED Deposits, as follows :—

Repayable in one sum, at 3 months' notice, 3 per cent.

Do.	6	do.	5 "
Do.	12	do.	6 "

No Interest allowed on Current Account Balances under Rs. 1,000, nor on Deposits above Rs. 50,000, unless by special arrangement.

REMITTANCE.

The Bank's Agency realises Drafts or Hoondies on the Presidency for remittance to Europe in the Bank's Bills on London without charge.

All Drafts, or Hoondies, forwarded for realisation, to be made payable to the Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China, or order.

COMMISSION.

On the sale or purchase of Government Paper, Bank Stock and other Securities, ¼ per cent.

The Bank receives Government and other Securities for safe custody, free of charge, the Interest or Dividends thereon being credited to account, or remitted home in the Bank's Bills.

On Interest or Dividends, or proceeds of Securities by sale ¼ per cent. commission charged if the amounts be paid in India ; if remitted home by the Bank, no charge.

On delivering up of Securities, deposited for safe custody, ¼ per cent.

Office hours 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. ; Saturdays 10 A.M. to 1 P.M.

The Directors have recently opened an Agency of the Bank at Rangoon for the transaction of general Banking and Exchange Business.

ANTHONY MORRISON,
Bombay, 5th June 1863. Agent.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

BOMBAY AGENCY.

EXCHANGE.

THE CORPORATION grant Drafts on London on demand, and at from one day to six months' sight, and Drafts on Scotland and Ireland on demand ; also Circular Notes negotiable in Egypt, Syria, the Continent of Europe, New York, the West Indies, Australia, New Zealand, and the Cape of Good Hope.

The Current rates of Exchange are :—

On London at 6 months' sight	2s.	0d. per Rupee.
" 4 do.	1s. 11¾d.	do.
" 3 do.	1s. 11¾d.	do.
" 2 do.	1s. 11¾d.	do.
" 1 do.	1s. 11¾d.	do.
" on demand		
On Scotland do.	1s. 11¾d.	do.
On Ireland do.		
On Paris, at 3 days' sight	1s. 11d.	do.

Circular Notes payable throughout Europe. 1s. 11d. do.

No Drafts at six months' sight are granted for sums under £30. Sums under £20 are only drawn for on demand.

The Bills are drawn on Calcutta, Madras, Ceylon, Hongkong, Singapore, Mauritius, Melbourne, and Sydney.

The Corporation purchase or collect Bills payable in Europe, or in Calcutta, Madras, Ceylon, Hongkong, Singapore, Mauritius, Melbourne, and Sydney.

DEPOSITS.

The Corporation receive Deposits on the following terms :—

At payable on demand, in sums of Rs. 100 and upwards ..... 2 per ct. per annum.
Do. in one sum, at 3 months' notice ..... 3 "
Do. do. 6 do. ..... 4 "
Do. do. 12 do. ..... 5 "

No interest allowed on Deposits under Rs. 1,000, nor on deposits over Rs. 50,000, *unless by special arrangement.*

REMITTANCE.

The Corporation undertake to remit money to Europe by each Overland Mail free of charge.

Parties are requested to make all Orders or Hoondies payable to "*The Oriental Bank Corporation or Order,*" and to state distinctly the name and address of the person to whom the Remittance is to be made, (*if to a Lady, her Christian name or names in full,*) and the sight at which the Bills are to be drawn.

COMMISSION.

The rate of Commission charged by this Agency on the purchase or sale of Government Securities negotiable in Bombay, is ¼ per cent. on the amount invested or realized, and on the collection of Bills, one per cent. and Postage.

The Corporation take charge of Government Paper, Shares in the Bank of Bombay, and other local Stocks, free of all charges, and will draw Interests and Dividends on the same as they fall due, on the following terms :—

If to be remitted through the Corporation ... Without charge.
If to be paid in India, a Commission will be charged of ..... ¼ per cent.
On returning Government Paper out of safe custody ..... ¼ per cent.
Hours of business ..... 10 to 4 o'clock.
Saturday ..... 10 to 1 do.

KURRACHEE SUB-AGENCY.

Messrs. Finlay and Co. will grant Drafts on the Corporation and negotiate Bills payable in Scotland and Bombay.

Bombay, 16th June 1863.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.

Incorporated by National Decrees of 7th and 8th March 1848, and by Imperial Decree of 20th July 1854.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.—Francs 40,000,000 (£1,600,000.)
RESERVE FUND.—Francs, 8,350,000 (£334,000.)
Head Office—14 *Rue Bergère, Paris.*
Agencies at Bombay, Calcutta, Shanghai, and Bourbon (Reunion).

London Bankers.
UNION BANK OF LONDON ; MESSRS. C. J. HAMBRO AND SON.

BOMBAY AGENCY.

Offices—23, *Rampart Row.*

THIS Agency grants Drafts and Letters of Credit, and purchases or collects Bills on the abovementioned places ; as also on the principal Towns of Continental Europe, on Madras, Pondicherry, Karnschee, Ceylon, Mauritius, Singapore, Hongkong, Sydney and Melbourne.

EXCHANGE.

Drafts granted as follows :—

On London	6 months' sight	2s. 0¾d.	per Rp.
	3 Do. Do.	2s. 0d.	"
	On Demand	1s. 11¾d.	"
On France	6 months' sight	frs. 2-56 cts.	"
	3 Do. Do.	" 2-53 "	"
	On Demand	" 2-50 "	"

DEPOSITS.

Interest at 2 per cent. per annum allowed on Current Deposits when not less than Rs. 1000, nor exceeding Rs. 50,000, for fixed periods as may be specially arranged.

DISCOUNTS, LOANS, &c.

The Agency discounts approved Local Bills, grants Loans on Government Paper, Bullion, Bank Stock, and approved Shares and other Securities.

Any further information as to rates of business, &c. may be had at the Office, or on application by letter to the undersigned, to whom all remittances should be made payable.

T. R. R. DAVISON, Acting Manager.
Bombay, 25th March 1863.

THE BANK OF HINDUSTAN, CHINA, AND JAPAN; (LIMITED.)

CAPITAL ONE MILLION STERLING, IN 10,000 SHARES OF £100 EACH.

Head Office—16, *Cornhill, London.*

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman.
JAMES NUGENT DANIELL, Esq.
Deputy-Chairman.
RICHARD SPOONER, Esq., (late Commissioner of Customs, Bombay.
WILLIAM FREDERICK BARING, Esq.
THOMAS COTTERELL, Esq.
J. HENRY REYNELL DE CASTRO, Esq.
PHILIP SHORE FLETCHER, Esq.
WILLIAM HARRISON, Esq.
DEANE J. HOARE, Esq.
HENRY YOUNG, Esq. (late Chief Secretary to the Government, Bombay.)

Bankers.
LONDON.....The Bank of England.
Do. .....The Alliance Bank of London & Liverpool. (Limited,) 5, Lothbury.
LIVERPOOL .....The Alliance Bank of London & Liverpool. (Limited.) "The Albany."
SCOTLAND .....The National Bank of Scotland.
IRELAND .....The National Bank.

The Bombay Branch has been opened for business in the premises lately occupied by the Bank of Bombay.

The Manager grants drafts at the following rates of Exchange :—

On London or Liverpool at 6 months' sight	2s.	0¼d.	per Rup.
" " " " 4 do.	2s.	0¼d.	do.
" " " " 3 do.	2s.	0 d.	do.
" " " " 2 do.	1s.	11¾d.	do.
" " " " 1 do.	1s.	11¾d.	do.
On Scotland ..... } On demand	1s.	11¾d.	do.
On Ireland ..... }			

Drafts as on *the Bank of England*, on *Scotland* or *Ireland* are issued payable on *demand* only.

To prevent disappointment to persons at a distance who may purchase the Bank's Bills on Europe, the Manager will, whenever so desired, forward the first of exchange direct on being furnished with the address of the person to whom the Bill is to be sent. *In all instances where a bill is required in favor of a lady, her Christian name must be given in full.*

The Bank is prepared to negociate drafts payable in London or Liverpool, and will also purchase or grant Bills payable in Calcutta.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS.

Interest allowed at 2 per cent. per annum on balance exceeding Rs. 500 and not more than 50,000, and one per cent. per annum on balances exceeding Rs. 300 and not more than Rs. 500.

Interest is not allowed on balances of more than Rs. 50,000, except by special arrangement.

FIXED DEPOSITS,

Subject to 12 months' notice of withdrawal 6 per cent per annum.

do.	9 do.	do.	5½ do. do.
do.	6 do.	do.	5 do. do.
do.	4 do.	do.	4½ do. do.
do.	3 do.	do.	4 do. do.

Notice of withdrawal may be given either when the money is deposited or at any future time, if the deposit be taken in the Bank's draft on Europe, the notice of withdrawal will *generally* be dispensed with.

The Bank reserves to itself the right of paying off or of modifying the terms of Fixed Deposits, on giving one month's notice.

Deposits of Rs. 100, and not exceeding Rs. 50,000, are received by the Bank subject to 15 days' notice of withdrawal on either side, and interest allowed thereon at 2 per cent. below the Bank of Bombay minimum rate of discount, rising or falling therewith, but in no case will a higher rate than 5 per cent. be allowed on Deposits of this class.

Unless money shall have been lodged 15 days prior to the Notice of withdrawal, no interest will be allowed.

Government Paper and other Securities received for safe custody, and the interest remitted by the Bank's draft free of charge.

The Bank will procure enfacement of Government Paper on account of Constituents, and forward the same to the Head Office without charge.

It is particularly requested that all orders or Hoondees may be made payable to, and all communications addressed "*The Manager, Bank of Hindustan, (Limited,) Bombay.*"

R. E. W. BAKER, Manager.
Rampart Row, 12th June 1863.

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON, AND CHINA.

EXCHANGE.

THE Bank grants Drafts on London, and on Scotland and Ireland, also Circular Notes negotiable in Egypt, Syria, and the principal Towns of Europe, at the following current rates of Exchange :—

On London, at 6 months' sight	2s.	0¼d.	per Rupee.
" 4 do.	2s.	0¼d.	"
" 3 do.	2s.	0d.	"
" 2 do.	1s.	11¾d.	"
" 1 do.	1s.	11¾d.	"
" On demand	1s.	11¾d.	"
On Scotland do.	1s.	11¾d.	"
On Ireland do.	1s.	11¾d.	"

Circular Notes for the use of Travellers on the Continent and to Europe Overland at 1 day's sight ..... } 1s. 11¾d. "

Drafts at 6 months' sight are not granted for less than £50, and amounts under £20 are only drawn for payable on demand.

The Bank also purchases Bills and grants Drafts payable in Calcutta, Madras, Ceylon, Hongkong, Canton, Shanghai, Singapore, Penang, and Mauritius.

Bills collected at any of the above places at an uniform charge including postage, of one per cent.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Accounts ..... 2 per cent.
Deposits for 3 months ..... 3 "
Do. do. 6 do. ..... 4 "
Do. do. 12 do. ..... 5 "

No interest allowed on Current Account Balances under Rs. 1,000, on or over Rs. 50,000, unless by special agreement. No cheques paid or cash received under Rs. 20.

COMMISSION.

The Bank takes charge of Government Securities, Shares in Banks and other Companies, without charge, and realises Interest and Dividends thereon on the following terms :—

If to be remitted in Bank's *Drafts*, without charge.
If to be paid in India, a Commission will be charged of ¼ per cent.

On returning Government Paper, or Share Certificates out of safe custody, or when sold on paying the proceeds of such sale in India, a commission of will be charged of ¼ per cent. But if proceeds are remitted on the Bank's Drafts, without charge.

Commission charged on purchase and sale of Government Securities and Shares, ¼ per cent.

R. D. PEEBLES,
Bombay, 9th June 1863. Agent.

THE AGRA AND UNITED SERVICE BANK, (LIMITED.)

ESTABLISHED IN INDIA, 1833.

Incorporated by Royal Charter.

HEAD OFFICE..... LONDON.
BRANCHES AT CALCUTTA, BOMBAY, MADRAS, AGRA, LAHORE, KURRACHEE, UMRITSUR, SHANGHAI, HONGKONG, EDINBURGH and SYDNEY.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £2,000,000 (TWO MILLIONS STERLING.)
PAID-UP CAPITAL, £1,000,000 (ONE MILLION STERLING.)
RESERVED FUND, £192,658 17s. 8d. Rs. 19,26,588 13as. 4p.

The Bombay Manager grants drafts on London on demand and at from one to six months' sight; also Circular Notes negotiable in Egypt and the Continent of Europe.

The following are the current rates of Exchange :—

On London at 6 months' sight	2s.	0¼d.	
" 4 months' sight	2s.	0¼d.	
" 3 months' sight	2s.	0d.	
" 2 months' sight	1s.	11¾d.	
" 1 months' sight	1s.	11¾d.	
" On demand	1s.	11¾d.	
Circular Notes	1s.	11¾d.	

The London General Manager will generally, if desired, be prepared to discount the Bank's Bills at the current rate of the day.

The Bank purchases Bills and grants Drafts payable at Calcutta, Agra, Madras, Lahore, Kurrachee, Umritsur, Hong-Kong, Shanghai, and Sydney.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

1. On Floating, or Current Deposits, payable on demand of not less than Rs. 1,000 or more than Rs. 50,000, 2 per cent. per annum.

2. On fixed deposits at 3 months' notice, 3 per cent. per annum.

3. On Fixed Deposits at 6 months' notice, 4 per cent. per annum.

4. On Fixed Deposits at 12 months' notice, 5 per cent. per annum.

Fixed Deposits may generally be availed of for the Bank's Bills on London without notice.

Notice of withdrawal can be given at the time of depositing the money, or at any time thereafter.

Interest is credited to Deposit accounts half-yearly.

No interest allowed on Current Account Balances over Rs. 50,000, unless by special agreement.

The Funds of all public bodies connected with the Services and of such other Societies as the Directors may consider eligible for the same privilege, will be received by the Bank at its highest rate of interest for the time being subject to modified conditions.

The Bank reserves to itself the right of paying off all interest Deposits, and of modifying the terms thereof, on giving one month's notice.

Parties making remittances to the Bank should specify distinctly the Acount or Accounts to which the same are to be credited. *Accuracy in this respect is particularly desirable.*

COMMISSION.

The Bank takes charge of Government Securities, Shares in Banks and other Companies without charge, and realises the Interest and Dividends, for which a charge will be made of ¼ per cent.

On returning Government Paper or other Securities out of safe custody, a charge will be made of ¼ per cent

On the purchase or sale of Government Securities and Bank or other Stocks, ¼ per cent.

To obviate disappointment to parties at a distance purchasing the Bank's Bills on England, which might reach them too late for despatch by first Mail, it is hereby notified that the Bank will, whenever so requested, transmit the first of Exchange direct, on being furnished with the correct address of the party at Home to whom the remittance is to be sent.

All Orders or Hoondies should be made payable to the Manager of the Agra & U. S. Bank, (Limited), or order, and the letters enclosing them should state distinctly the name of the person to whom the Remittance is to be made *(if to a Lady her Christian name or names in full,)* and the sight at which the Bills are to be drawn.

NOTICE.—The Bank will obtain registry of Promissory Notes of the several Loans of the Indian Government, and Enfacement for payment of the Interest in London.

Drafts for interest on such Government Promissory Notes, on the Treasuries of Calcutta and Madras, will be received for encashment at current rates of Exchange, or for realization in India, at the Head Office of the Bank in London, where constituents can also deposit their securities for safe custody.

Parties are requested to address "*The Manager of the Agra and United Service Bank, (Limited), Bombay,*" and to make all orders or Hoondies payable to him.

A Branch of the Bank has been lately established at Sydney, New South Wales, (Mr. Alexander Campbell, Manager) for the transaction of business in all its Branches.

H. B. MACCULLOCH, Manager.
Bombay, 8th May 1863.

COMMERCIAL BANK OF INDIA.

HEAD OFFICE, BOMBAY.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Accounts above Rs. 1,000 and not exceeding 50,000, repayable on demand ..... 2 per ct. per ann.
Fixed Deposits for 6 months ..... 5 do. do.
Ditto Do. 12 do. ..... 6 do. do.
Cheques paid, or Cash received, under Rs. 20.

CASH CREDITS.

On Government Securities ..... 9 per cent.
On other Securities ..... 10 do.

EXCHANGE.

Bills on London at 6 months' sight	2s.	0d.	per Rupee.
Ditto 4 ditto.	1s.	11¾d.	do.
Ditto 3 ditto.	1s.	11¾d.	do.
Ditto 2 ditto.	1s.	11¾d.	do.
Ditto 1 ditto.	1s.	11¾d.	do.
On demand	1s.	11¾d.	do.

COMMISSION.

On the sale or purchase of Government Paper, Bank Stock, and other Securities, ¼ per cent. on the amount realised or invested.

The Bank receives Government and other Securities for safe custody, free of charge, the Interest or Dividends thereon being credited to account, or remitted home in the Bank's Bills, also without charge.

On Interest, or Dividends, or on proceeds of Securities by sale ¼ per cent. commission charged if the amounts be paid in India ; if remitted home by the Bank, no commission charged.

On returning Securities out of safe custody, ¼ per cent. commission.

Hours of business .....10 to 4 o'clock.
Saturdays .....10 to 1 do.

ROBERT ANGUS, Manager.
Bombay, 15th June 1852.

CENTRAL BANK OF WESTERN INDIA

INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Accounts above Rs. 1,000 and not exceeding Rs. 50,000, repayable on demand, at 2 per cent per annum.
On Deposits for 3 months certain 3 per cent per annum.
Do. " 6 " " 5 " "
Do. " 12 " " 6 " "

EXCHANGE.

Bills on London, at 6 months sight	2s.	0¼d.	per Rupee
Ditto at 4 ditto	2s.	0¼d.	do.
Ditto at 3 ditto	2s.	0¼d.	do.
Ditto at 2 ditto	2s.	0¼d.	do.
Ditto at 1 ditto	2s.	0d.	do.
Ditto on demand ditto	1s.	11¾d.	do.

Drafts at 6 months' sight are not granted for less than £5, and amounts under £20 are only drawn for payable on demand.

COMMISSION.

On the sale or purchase of Government and other Securities 5 per cent. on the amount realised or invested.

The Bank receives Government and other Securities for safe custody, free of charge, the Interest or Dividends thereon being credited to account or remitted home in the Bank's Bills, also without charge.

On Interest or Dividends, or on proceeds of Securities b Sale, ¼ per cent. commission charged, if the amounts be paid in India ; if remitted home by the Bank, no commission charged.

On returnaig Securities out of safe custody ¼ per cent. Commission

Hours of business .....10 A.M. to 4 P.M.
Saturdays .....10 A.M. to 1 P.M.

EDWIN HEYCOCK.
Bombay, 15th May 1863. Manager.

Shipping.

BOMBAY.

ARRIVALS.

DATE.	SHIPS.	COMMANDERS.	FROM
June 16	Shah Jehan	White	Calcutta 22 April.
	Maharaj (s)	Kiddie	Sudaswghur 14 June.

INTELLIGENCE.

Per Ship *Shah Jehan*, from Calcutta.—On the 15th May 1863, spoke the Barque *Colonist*, from Calcutta to London in lat. 2·38 S., long. 92·40 East.

DEPARTURES.

DATE.	SHIPS.	COMMANDERS.	TO
June 16	Sarawak	Vaughan	Liverpool.
	Indore (s)	Brown	China, &c.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per Steamer *Maharaj*, from Sudaswghur.—Mr. Davis ; Mr. McAvey ; Mr. Burns, and four natives.

PORT CLEARANCE.

The Ship *St. Bernard*, W. R. Mason, bound to Calcutta, obtained her port clearance yesterday.

DAILY EXPORTS.

BOMBAY, TUESDAY, 16TH JUNE 1863.

For London.

Bucephalus.—74 packages Cowdies, 65 cwt., Mooljee Jewraz.

Mystery.—48 chests Dry Ginger, 73 cwt., Dhurrumsy Poonjabhoy ; 230 packages Coffee, 345 cwt., Samjee Hamras and Co.

Wellington.—26 bags and 109 pieces E. Teeth, 43½ cwt., Succoor Futtabhoy.

For Liverpool.

South.—101 bales Cotton, 835½ cwt., Venayek Mungesh.

Tgetis.—110 bales Cotton, 385 cwt., Meer Sassoon Moosy ; 250 bales Cotton, 875 cwt., Merwanjee Nesserwanjee ; 225 bales Cotton, 787½ cwt., Calliandass, Nesserwanjee and Co.

Crescent.—92 bales Cotton, 276 cwt., F. Chambers ; 70 bales Cotton, 245 cwt., Malijee Ruttonsey.

Africana.—25 bales Cotton, 87½ cwt ; Wootumshund Muncharam ; 8 bales Cotton, 28 cwt., Doongursey Toolsidas ; 59 bales Wool, 150 cwt., Narronjee Dewjee ; 225 bales Cotton, 787½ cwt., Mahanuodram Ramjus ; 30 bales Cotton, 105 cwt., Mooljee Dewjee ; 40 bales Wool, 129 cwt., Petamber Dewjee ; 215 bundles Sarsee Seed, 107½ cwt., Dewjee Muckaney.

Rajah of Cochin.—129 bales Cotton, 437½ cwt., Seedic Hajee Woosman.

Euphrates.—140 bales Cotton, 490 cwt., Seedic Hajee Woosman.

John Stuart.—10 bales Cotton, 35 cwt., Gunny Ticum.

Albion.—225 bales Cotton, 787½ cwt., Rustigur Dowlutgur.

Southern Belle.—55 bales Wool, 165 cwt., Heerjee Khimjee.

Sam Mandel.—50 bales Cotton, 175 cwt., Gaddum and Co. ; 121 bags Coffee, 18 cwt., Lawrence and Co.

Floating Light.—60 bales Cotton, 210 cwt., Nurpall Mooljee.

Nagasakis.—125 bales Cotton, 437½ cwt., Jaynarron Dhunrau.

Matheran.—101 bales Cotton, 353½ cwt., Byramshaw Dhunjeebhoy ; 800 bales Cotton, 1,050 cwt., Muncherjee Dadabhoy.

Douglas Castle.—230 bales Cotton, 805 cwt., Currumchund Pemchund.

Sea Queen.—200 bales Cotton, 700 cwt., Vurjeevun Vullubdass ; 70 bales Cotton, 245 cwt., Rana Royseo.

Margaret Blair.—125 bales Cotton, 437½ cwt., Megee Dewjee.

Castilian.—58 bundles Deer Horns, 73 cwt. 3 qrs. 21 lbs., Jamsetjee Cursetjee and Co.

Clifton Belle.—20 bales Cotton, 91 cwt., Soonderjee Heerachund.

Norah Gream.—30 bales Cotton, 105 cwt., Lalljee Cutchra ; 500 bales Cotton, 1,750 cwt., Cullianjee Ludha.

Belle Isle.—250 bales Cotton, 875 cwt., Stcehr, Priezer and Co.

Venus.—60 bales Cotton, 210 cwt., Luckmedass Gopall.

Gee Maiden.—100 bales Cotton, 350 cwt., Morarbhoy Vizbhookhun.

Lewchew.—500 bales Cotton, 1,750 cwt., S. and N. Nanabhoy.

Waap.—5 bales Cotton, 17½ cwt., Doongersey Toolseedass.

Baselaw.—70 bales Cotton, 245 cwt., Dhurrumsey Jeewa.

Americana.—111 bales Cotton, 388½ cwt., Cooverjee Ludha.

Henry Moore.—300 bales Cotton, 1,050 B. H. Cama, and Brown ; 50 bales Wool, 150 cwt., Lee and Brown.

For Havre.

Leocadie and Anna.—76 bags Coffee, 114 cwt., George S., King and Co. ; 162 bales Cotton, 567 cwt., J. Siegfried and Co.

Mina.—8 bales Cotton, 28 cwt., Morarjee Poonja ; 55 bales Cotton, 192½ cwt., Munjee Ramjee.

LIST OF VESSELS OF THE BOMBAY MARINE.

	VESSELS.	STATIONS.
1.	Ajdaha	Bombay Harbour.
2.	Coromandel	Do.
3.	Dalhousie	Kurrachee.
4.	Goolamar	Bombay Harbour.
5.	Hugh Rose	
6.	Snake	
7.	Zenobia	
8.	Hornet (s.) Dayman	

VESSELS EXPECTED AT BOMBAY.

FROM LONDON.

492	Adelaide, Jardine.	April 21
749	Art Union, Morrison.	April 10
700	Bickby, Purdy.	April 29
750	Chapman, Harland.	
567	City of Glasgow, Carnaghard—W. Nicol & Co.	March 8
710	Colcroon, Hall.	
882	Corlogs, Cordiner.	
290	Elemale, McGregor—Peel, Cassel & Co.	
810	Gastor (s) Shaw—Oliver & Co.	
1168	Glaucus, Taylor.	
593	Glorious, Valls—Bryant, Lenham & Co.	

H. M. St. Panjaub.
H. M. St. Assaye.

831	Janet Cowan, McKirdy—Peel, Cassel & Co.	April 9
1987	Louisa, Sowcroft—W. Nicol & Co.	March 1
774	Mahratta, Hickman—Ewart, Latham & Co.	
1036	Marian Moore, Monce.	
844	Minnehaha, Morgan.	May 4
541	Naval Brigade, Moon.	
956	Preston, Meffett.	
818	Sarah Sands, Gillies—R. Bates & Co.	
744	Sea Park, Stewart—Grey & Co.	April 18
799	Sir Ralph Abercrombie, Macdonald.	
1045	Star of India, Morris—Remington & Co.	
1001	St. Hilda, Clark.	
744	Thomas Hamlin, Menzies.	Feb. 25
1104	Veteran, Duncan—Robert Frith & Co.	March 2
1047	Windsor Castle, Pryce—Ritchie Steuart & Co.	
940	Wings of the Wind, Wyllie—W. Nicol & Co.	April 30

FROM LIVERPOOL.

1033	Aaron Brown, Rogers.	April 30
1287	Annot Lyle, Shaw.	
1294	Baron Renfrew, Thomas.	May 5
639	Barbara.	March 24
589	Bon Accord, Campbell.	Feb. 14
814	Bloomer, Goodwin.	Feb. 11
668	Celuta, Hayes—Coupland & Co.	March 6
	Eliza Bencke, Jackson.—Sousa Pinto & Co.	March 9
1091	Eliphalet Greeley, Cutter.	April 20
1094	Elizabeth Fry, Wemyss.	
937	Flower of the Forest, Walker.	
1393	Flying Venus, Withycombe, E. Bates & Co.	
1328	Hahneman, Phillips.	
1094	Helen Scott, Cunningham.	
819	Harry Paddeney, Richardson—E. Bates & Co.	Feb. 13
853	Lady Havelock, O'Neill—Steven Brothers & Co.	May 9
1286	Lancastrian, Pearson.	
965	Margaret, Faulkner.	
1745	Merchant Prince—Rennie, Scovell & Co.	
1157	Neptune's Car, Kirby—Macnee & Co.	March 30
1034	Old England, Bulman—Framjee Sands & Co.	Feb. 23
982	Princess Somawutty, Roy—H. Forman.	April 3
999	Remington, Leisk—Remington & Co.	
1357	Salsette, Dawson.—Stoehr Prieger & Co.	
900	Sir John Lawrence, Sinclair.	April 25
370	Sydney Eggers, Campbell—E. Bates & Co.	April 18
965	Tangier.	April 2
1178	Thomas Seddon—Finlay, Clark & Co.	April 18

FROM LIVERPOOL VIA ADEN.

1005	Beeston Castle, Carney—Rennie, Scovell & Co.	April 1
903	Biencaths, Stewart.	Jan. 18
885	Chevalier, Perkins.	Dec. 26
1046	Childwickbury, Faithful—W. Nicol & Co.	Feb. 21
936	Elizabeth, Stewart.	Jan. 21
1325	Euroclydon, Wright.	April 9
1343	George A. Holt, Robinson.	
1343	Levant, Ferran.—Ewart Latham & Co.	Jan. 21
1957	Lord Palmerston, Halcrow.	April 9
811	Missouri, Calhoun.	April 20
1669	Oriental, Ballard.	April 20
1459	Research, Kirk.	Feb. 13
1115	Tivoli, McPherson—W. Nicol & Co.	Dec. 2

FROM NEWPORT VIA ADEN.

1100	Eldorado, Hayes.	

FROM CARDIFF.

427	Enterprise, Haynes.	
1187	Lady Franklin, Rawle.	April 28

FROM CARDIFF VIA ADEN.

798	Amity, Stenson.	Jan. 23
890	Congress, Rinkwater.	Feb. 7
1055	Englishman, Hardwick.	
960	Falkland, Pender.	
346	Agra Francis, McIntosh.	
1142	Johannisberg, Sulphau.	March 12
533	Neptune, Veary.	
1155	Sabino.	March 8
1246	Sirocco.	April 14
705	Southern Rights.	March 9
654	Sparkling Wave, Emery.	Dec. 10
1089	T. E. Lemon, Rainey.	April 19
1023	Wandering Jew,

Fridays.
General motions, Equity matters and Causes.
Saturdays.
Equity matters and Causes.
Small Court, Mondays.
All matters to be disposed of before a single Judge, under Rules 31 to 70, both inclusive, applications for review of judgment to have precedence.
Current list of suits for hearing.
Tuesday.
Current list of Suits for hearing.
Thursday and Friday.
Settlement of issues and suits for final disposal at first hearing, suits for hearing.
Saturday.
Suits for hearing.
Suits will be tried as nearly as may be in their numerical order in the general lists of suits set down for hearing.
Plaints and applications in Chambers will be received as heretofore at 10-30 by the sitting Judge.
By order of Court,
S. COMPTON, Prothonotary.
19th May 1863.

HIGH COURT.—ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

Tuesday, 16th June 1863.

(BEFORE SIR J. ARNOULD, KT.)

Mahomed Ibrahim Mahomed Syed Purkar Mahomed vs. *Goolam Ahmed Mahomed Syed Rogay Mahomed and Mahomed Syed Mahomed Ibrahim Rogay.*

Mr. Dunbar, instructed by Mr. Keir, for plaintiff.
Mr. White, instructed by Mr. Macfarlane, for defendants.

The nature of this action which is rather peculiar is disclosed in the plaint to the following effect :—The plaintiff claimed payment of Rupees 1,50,000 as damages sustained by him by reason of the defendants' having wrongfully and unjustly persuaded and procured Khateeza Beebee, the wife of the plaintiff, to continue absent from the society of her husband (the plaintiff) from the month of July 1859 hitherto. The plaintiff on the 1st of December 1858 was lawfully married, according to the law and usages of the Mahomedans to the said Khateeza, daughter of the defendant Goolam Ahmed Mahomed Syed Rogay, then and for some time after residing with her maternal grandmother, one Futtay Beebee. The defendant Goolam Ahmed Mahomed Syed Rogay in or about the month of December 1858 induced the plaintiff and the said Futtay Beebee to allow the said Khateeza Beebee to visit him at his house in Bombay where she has since been detained. The defendants falsely pretend that marriage has been solemnized between Khateeza and the defendant Mahomed Ibrahim Rogay. By an order made on the 4th of July 1862, on the Equity side of the late Supreme Court in a suit in which Ameena Beebee and another were plaintiffs, and Futtay Beebee and others were defendants, it was declared that the said Khateeza Beebee was absolutely entitled in her own right to a sum of Rs. 1,01,000 under the will of one Mahomed Ali Mahomed Hoosein Rogay. The defendants persuade and prevent the said Khateeza Beebee from returning to the house of the plaintiff and thereby deprive him of her society and aid in his domestic affairs and the profits and advantages to be derived from the said sum of Rs. 1,01,000 which he otherwise might and would have had.

The plea to this was that the marriage of Khateeza Beebee has been already solemnized with the second defendant, and that as the case involved a question of Mahomedan marriage, the Court had no jurisdiction to entertain it.

Mr. Dunbar applied for a postponement of the case for three months to enable the plaintiff's counsel to be conversant with the history of the whole case, which was very complicated and to allow plaintiff to prepare the documentary and oral evidence which was very massive.

Mr. White consented to the postponement for a shorter period, on payment of the costs of the day.

His Lordship thereupon ordered the case to be postponed for two months on payment of the costs of the adjournment to the defendants and suggested to the parties the convenient course to take the preliminary question of jurisdiction before a Full Court in the first instance, and have it then disposed of before the suit came on for trial before the Judge below.

Both counsel consented to compiy with the learned Judge's suggestion.

THE other cases set down on the board for the day were then called on, but as in some counsel were not ready, and the evidence and in others the parties or their counsel did not appear in Court, His Lordship announced to the barristers and solicitors then present that he would make an exception this time but that in future he would follow the general rule of striking out the cases, unless good and reasonable cause was shewn to the contrary.

SMALL CAUSE COURT.

Tuesday, 16th June 1863.

(BEFORE THE FULL COURT.)

Buldeojee Doorgapursad and his wife Sunkurbaee vs. *Chimunlaljee Maharaj and his wife Joomkhabaee.*

Mr. Carter appeared to oppose a motion of the defendants for a new trial.

Mr. Pandurung supported the application.

The original cause was tried on the 11th May 1861, in which the plaintiff sought to recover the sum of Rs. 453, being the amount alleged to be due for medical and professional visits and medicines supplied by the male plaintiff, who is a native doctor or hakim, to the Maharajaj's wife, and for operations performed and medicines administered by female plaintiff. Dr. Reid contended, in this action, which was tried before the 2nd Judge, Mr. Manockjee Cursetjee, that by the Common Law of England a married woman cannot be made a co-defendant with her husband, which was over-ruled in their respect by the Judge, who said that as Hindoo women have separate property, called their *streedhan*. She together with the other the defendant, the Maharaj, Dr. Reid was of opinion need not appear personally they being represented by one of the profession. Mr. Manockjee said it was necessary by the rules of the Court that he should appear. "We (he said) have no Maharaj's in this Court, we have no attorney, no pleaders, no barristers in this Court ; they appear here on sufferance, for you will observe that the Act gives them a scale of fees merely but does not recognise them." (Reads 42 clause of the Small Cause Act) although he was very glad to have their assistance, yet this was the very point he had contested with Mr. Anstey. Under the Section just read, and with the knowledge of what has occurred before, the Second Judge said he would go into the plaintiffs case and if he found that a *prima facie* case had been made out, he would give an *exparte* verdict against the male defendant. His Honor then caused the Maharaj's name to be called and Dr. Reid requested that a note of his objection be made, to the effect that the attendance of the Maharaj was unnecessary. Eventually an *exparte* verdict was recorded against the defendant.

Mr. Carter, for the plaintiffs, in appearing to oppose the defendants' application for a new trial, said he did so on the grounds that their right had been forfeited on account of their having failed to pay into Court, within eight days, the amount of the verdict with costs agreeably with the rules in force in this Court.

His Honor directed that the advocate for the defendant should instruct his client to pay these amounts at once, and desired that the Clerk of the Court would at once warn all the clerks in the office never to make these orders until the money had been received.

Mr. Carter still held that the defendants had entirely forfeited their right to a new trial, as the money was not paid in eight days, and said the arguments could scarcely be permitted to proceed, unless he was assured that the money was paid.

His Honor (Mr. Hore) said as far as his experience went, it was very often that defendant's attendance was dispensed with, in cases, where they had professional assistance, and their evidence was of no moment ; he therefore thought it was a mistake of the Second Judge to have given an *exparte* judgment, where this was the case. It was nonsense that a witness should be called who knew nothing about a case, as it appeared was the case with the Maharaj in the present instance and supported as it was upon affidavit. Had he been in the place of his learned colleague, he would have caused the case to be postponed which in the end would have been more profitable and satisfactory to all parties. The new trial he was of opinion ought to be granted as no allegations had been made to the effect that the evidence of the male defendant had been required, and the defendant had not been heard.

Mr. Carter said that the defendant did not appear, neither had he given a sufficient reason for his non-appearance.

His Honor said it was for Mr. Carter to prove this and not for the defendant. Had he on part of the plaintiff insisted on the personal appearance of the defendant, the Court had sufficient power to bring him up by an attachment, or by proceeding with the trial by the plaintiffs witnesses and could then gave a verdict for the plaintiff. By the 38th Section of the Act, plaintiff must appear, if called upon, there is no doubt. By the 43rd Section it says he (the defendant) may be excused from attending if cause can be shewn of there being no necessity for such attendance. The Court's opinion was that the plaintiff should have proved that the defendant had not sufficiently excused his absence. It was very arbitrary to refuse to hear counsel under these circumstances. The defendant had sent witnesses but stated that he himself knew nothing about the matter. The Court also disagreed with the Second Judge with regard to his ignoring counsel, and Mr. Hore said that the fees to be paid to barristers, attorneys and pleaders, having been submitted to the Judges of the High Court, which had not met their disapproval legitimized their practising in this Court, and was just as binding as the Act. Mr. Manockjee addressed the Court at some length upon the case under discussion, and quoted several passages in the Act to support the position he had taken up, in the two errors of the exparte verdict, but said as his learned colleagues were not with him, in his opinion, he must defer to their judgment.

The Court after some further remarks, said they were of opinion that sufficient grounds had been given for defendants' absence and that the Judge was bound to have proceeded with the case exparte, instead of giving a verdict, without hearing the defence. The amount of verdict and costs having been reported paid into Court, the rule was made absolute and a new trial granted.

NEWS LETTERS.

GUZERAT, *13th June* 1863.

The fall of rain has been general throughout the Province since the 8th instant, on which date it may be said the monsoons set in. The atmosphere is rather oppressive, but on the whole it is a great deal cooler now than what it was a week ago.

Sowing operations have commenced, and turn which side you will, you cannot fail to perceive the ryots busy in their fields.

The mangoe season has been a complete failure, those produced being both scanty and of an ordinary kind.

The grain riot at Ahmedabad, which threatened to assume a serious aspect, has, I am glad to say, been nipped in the bud, through the prompt and decisive measures adopted by the magisterial authorities. Of the rioters apprehended, several have been sentenced to various terms of imprisonment ranging from three to six months, and others to fines from fifty to one hundred rupees. The Magistrate, Mr. Hope, while inflicting punishment on those persons who committed the unlawful act, was not unmindful of the wants of the people. He assembled the grain merchants in his Cutchery, animadverted on their avaricious propensities and the evils which resulted therefrom, and fixed certain rates at which they were in future to sell their grain. Wheat, which was sold at 12 seers for a Rupee a day before the riot, sells now at 20 seers, and thus equitable rates for other descriptions of grain have been fixed. Similar riots at other stations, especially at Broach, were expected, but it is not likely that with the examples made of those concerned at Ahmedabad, any such thing would be attempted.

A truck containing bales of cotton, which was attached to the up-train of the 10th instant, was found in a blaze on the arrival of the train at Broach ; the bales (four in number) were completely burnt. The accident appears to have been caused either by the axle boxes of the truck having taken fire for want of grease, or by spontaneous combustion.

SURAT, *14th June* 1863.

The monsoon has set in here in right earnest ; and the stormy appearance of the weather is visible every where. The steamer *Elphinstone* left for Bombay on the 12th, but put back in consequence of the sea being boisterous. The commander expects to try another chance to-morrow ; but it is feared the steamer would fail to reach Bombay.

The railway works are progressing very rapidly since the arrival of Colonel Kennedy in connection with the Bombay, Baroda and Central India Railway.

PESHAWUR, *6th June.*

"Since last writing this station has furnished another to a long list of victims to deluded reason, Mr. W. R. Lewsey, Agent to the Punjab Bank Limited,' and but a short time resident in Peshawur. Apparently he was a most intelligent and respectable man ; on the morning of his death as was his custom, he rose early and ordered his buggy, in which to take a drive ; nothing unusual or extravagant was observed in his conduct, the servants without the bank heard a pistol shot, and entering, found their master dead ; the weapon had been discharged by himself into his mouth, the bullet passed completely through the head, and instant death resulted ; taking the circumstance of his preparing to start for a morning drive into consideration, we may naturally infer suicide was not contemplated, but the result of a momentary insane impulse ;—seized by a suicidal climax, the sight of his revolver induced him to commit self-destruction ; the inquest returned a verdict of 'temporary insanity'—peculiarly true in this unhappy instance of self-murder, which can scarcely be considered criminal : the sole motive appears to have been disappointment in a matrimonial alliance he wished to make. A telegram to Rawul Pindee brought up another Agent for this branch of the Bank, and business is transacted as before.

The report prevalent here sometime since that the Indus was about to rise and overflow, seems to have been without foundation ; and happily so, for the reason that year by year the damage done would be greater ; the bed of the river is gradually raised by deposit, which washed against the banks raises them also, while the country round retains its original level, when, however under the influence of a strong current the bank at any point is eroded, and gives way, the water rushes uninterruptedly over the low country, melting whole towns and villages.

Colonel Allgood, has arrived, and taken up his appointment as Deputy Quarter Master General, it has not transpired who is to succeed Colonel Kinleside, in the artillery command.

One's feelings now scarcely permit a doubt that the hot weather is upon us, the thermometer stands at 105 degrees outside in deep shade. It is generally thus I am told in Peshawur, the hot weather comes on in a day ; I saw signs unmistakable on the last sabbath evening, as the congregation issued from the old church, which can boast of little in either design, or convenience of construction ; and is moreover built with total disregard to the points of the compass ; imagine a long low single roomed garner in England, ventilated,—and inelegant,—and fancy it the storage of grain ; fill such a structure with hard benches, a wretched altar, and still more wretched pulpit, and you have a portrait of our place of evening worship ; to this I might add more positive disagreeables, such as ill-slung punkahs, and noises from the sepoys of an adjacent regiment, I don't mean riotous noises, but those natural to a large body of living creatures,—their busy hum, yet still sufficient to disturb a place of worship ; then again there is an utter absence of something on which to rest the eye—sweeping architrave, or painted window ; nor does the appreciating ear fare better, of church music there is none. In India one requires these adjuncts to worship more than in England, and just as we adapt other habits and things to a tropical climate, so do I think sermons should be suited to an uncomfortable building a hard seat and high temperature ; a clergyman may easily judge by the number of secret yawns and visible fidgets observable among the congregation—when to draw his discourse to a conclusion ; still worse must it be for the priest, who, honest in his vocation, deems it necessary to preach us a discourse of five and thirty minutes. I believe we all are inestimable people in Peshawur, and that we really important than many readers suppose, that of witchcraft ; and, as might be expected, he has taken it up with peculiar views, and, we might say, with a special bias—as is usual with all illustration of the subject, *du pretre de la femme, de la famille.* He has his views of woman's position in the Middle Ages to support, which are wrong chiefly in being exaggerated and as being deduced from hasty and excessive generalization of facts ; and he exposes zealously the degrading influence of the Popish clergy. The witch, according to Michelet, was the creation and the victim of the Church.

In the early ages of asceticism, according to Michelet's system, the Church proscribed nature altogether, and taught that everything which afforded pleasure or enjoyment, everything natural in fact was wicked, and to them all nature was occupied by their eternal enemies, the demons. One of the fathers said that the demon was in a beautiful flower. In their hatred to nature, in their encouragement of all unnatural, and they hoped for nothing more fervently than the extinction of nature itself—the end of the world. Hence they sought to enforce celibacy and prevent the propagation of mankind, and they humiliated and despised the sex which served specially to that end. Thus originated monachism, and men and women too fled to the solitude of the desert, where they were alone, and in perpetual contest with the demons, who alone shared the wilderness with them. Nature was full of demons, and in nature and the demons all was activity, while the ascetics taught passive faith, and look at activity, either mental or bodily, all attempt at development, as impiety. The difference between this dark view of asceticism and the outward world of nature, the people which sought happiness in the family and which loved to live, the struggle and confusion, the destructive and universal ruin which appeared everywhere, brought on feudalism and serfdom, and dragged people into despair. It was this despair which drove the woman, who suffered most and had most time to brood over her sufferings, who was superstitious and credulous, and by temperament easily subject to delusions, to seek aid and protection from the demons, and she became a witch. Then followed the sabbath, the initiation and pact, the triumph and vengeance. The witches obtained unknown strength and power for evil, and sometimes even for good. Satan taught them the profound secrets of medicine. They became acquainted with the dangerous virtues of plants, and they alone were authorized to employ them with effect. Paracelsus, the great doctor of the Renaissance, in a moment of disgust burnt the books of the ancient physicians, and those of the Jews and Arabs, and declared that all the true knowledge he had learned came from the popular medicine of old women, or witches, and of shepherds ! They became also acquainted with the plants which affected the brain and the senses, and thus increased their own delusions while they created delusions in others. Still more, they studied their deadly qualities and became subtle poisoners.

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in the course of another year, have no difficulty in finding their way to Chinee, one of the most salubrious spots in the Himalaya ; it is a plateau 9,926 feet above the level of the sea, and the day is not for distant when unless some officer be placed in civil charge of it by the Punjab government, who might allow a bazar, like the central bazar at Simla, to creep into existence in its very centre, and be the same bane to the community and the same disgrace to the government as that bazar is of which we speak—we say the day is not far distant when Chinee will become, in all probability, a most valuable sanitarium.

Buddhist monasteries are the most elevated *permanently inhabited* places not only in the Himalaya, but in lower ranges of hills: Hanle, in Ladak at an elevation of 15,117 feet where 15 or 20 lamas *permanently reside*, is the highest ; it is a curious fact that in Europe the highest permanently inhabited place is also a monastry, built on the St. Bernard, at a height of 8,111 feet."—PIKE.—*Id.*

NEGAPATAM.

ARREST OF A BRITISH SUBJECT.—A scene of rather an excitable character occurred a few days ago at the Union Hotel in Negapatam, when Mr. Kelly, a British subject was arrested under a warrant issued by Mr. Hutchins as Justice of the Peace. It appears that the individual in question had received an advance of money at Colombo to procure labourers for the Ceylon Railway Company, and that he had proceeded to Tanjore and Trichinopoly for this purpose. Upon the arrival of the Contractor, a Mr. Appleby, at Negapatam, he appears to have called upon Kelly, to give an account of his stewardship ; and being dissatisfied with his explanation proceeded to the Magistrate's Court and obtained a warrant of arrest as for embezzlement which was duly executed between 7 and 8 o'clock in the evening by Inspector Ferricks and forthwith lodged in the Police Choultry where after suffering incarceration for 6 days, he has been apparently set at liberty. Several considerations suggest themselves upon the general question of arrest and incarceration of Europeans in this country ; but at present it is unnecessary to do more than simply hope that Mr. Kelly has had his liberty restored and his character vindicated by satisfactorily accounting for the advances received by him, and that Mr. Appleby will tender an ample apology for the wrong done to a countryman by being the means of denying him that liberty which is the pride and glory of every British subject.—*Trichinopoly Journal.*

OUDH.

THE trial of the Queen *versus* Zahoor-ool-Hoosein came on yesterday in the Commissioner's Court, Colonel Barrow, C.B., presiding. The following is a copy of the charge :—

"I, William C. Capper, Deputy Commissioner of Lucknow, declare that there is hereby made against Zuhoor-ool-Hoosein, son of Ikram oollah Syud, formerly a vakeel of Rajah Lonee Sing of Mithowlee.

"*First.*—That before the murder of Captain Orr and others by rebels or mutineers in front of Keysurbagh at Lucknow, on or about the 10th November 1857, and previous to the passing of the Indian Penal Code, he did at or near Mithowlee arrest or instigate the arrest of Captain Orr and party ; that he was present as a leader and director at such arrest, and did as leader or as one of the leaders of this armed party escort the said party to Lucknow as prisoners, with the knowledge that such act of his would ensure or was likely to ensure the murder of the said Captain Orr and party, and that Captain Orr and others of the party were accordingly murdered, and that he Zuhoor-ool-hoosein was thereby accessory before the fact to the murder of the said Captain Orr and party and did commit murder.

"*Secondly.*—That he did on or about the 21st and 27th October 1857, escort as leader or one of the leaders of an armed body of rebels as prisoners, to Lucknow, Captain Patrick Orr and other Christians, and did deliver them up to the Rebel Government, they being subsequently murdered, and was thus a leader of rebellion.

"The Court has thereby committed offences punishable by the Court of Sessions, and I hereby direct that Zuhoor-ool-Hoosein be tried by the said Court on the said charge."

W. C. CAPPER, *Deputy Commissioner.*

Lucknow 21st April 1863."

Captain Orr's party consisted of himself, Sir Mountstuart Jackson, Miss Jackson, Mrs. Orr and child, Lieutenant Barnes, and Serjeant Major Morton. The prisoner is defended by Mr. C. Sandys. He pleaded "not guilty," and the prosecution has called all its witnesses, excepting a native, who was not forthcoming when called, and Mrs. W. G. Rose, formerly relict of the late Captain P. Orr, one of the parties whose murder by Ahmed-oollah-Shah's troops is laid to the prisoner's charge. The trial is postponed *sine die* for the attendance of Mrs. Rose, who has to be *subpœnaed* from Calcutta. Mr. Sandys, on the part of the prisoner, objected to the production of three letters in the handwriss of his brothers (Alexander and Adolphus) written by the late Captain P. Orr, when a refugee in the Mithowlee district during the mutiny, on the ground that, if regarded as a dying declaration, such declaration is admissible only where the circumstances of the death are the subject of such declaration ; this not being the case with the declaration in question, which only contains confessions of the writer's conviction that Zuhoor-ool-Hoosein was treacherous, and would deliver him and his party to the rebels. The authorities cited in support of this view of the case were Mead's case in 2 B and C 600, and Hutchinson's case 2 B and C 608. The court, however, ruled in favor of the reception of the declaration. Mr. Sandys also objected to the reception, as evidence, of a *brochure* by the said Mrs. Rose, entitled "The English Captives in Oudh," on the ground that, to render a deposition of any kind of evidence acceptable against a party, it must appear to have been taken on oath in a judicial proceeding, and that the party should have an opportunity to cross-examine the witness, citing several cases in support of his objection. The court allowed this objection and decided upon *subpœnaing* Mrs. Rose, the author of the *brochure*, to give evidence *viva voce*. This is how the case stands at present.—*Gazette, June* 10.

THE RUSSIAN REPLIES.

(*From the Examiner, May 9.*)

RUSSIA has long been vain of her skill in diplomacy ; and there has seldom been a time in which she had more need of sagacity and temper in the practice of that art than now. All Mr. Gortschakoff's colleagues (with the shabby exception of Prussia) have recently addressed to her remonstrances, some traced indeed in the palest ink of deprecation, but others in a bold hand, indicative of urgency and determination to exact an answer, and all, it must be owned, exceedingly provoking to a haughty court and cabinet. We have not yet seen *in extenso* the replies sent to Stockholm, Turin, or Bern ; but the text of that forwarded to Vienna is sufficiently long and contemptuous. With an intelligible tone of insolent politeness, it abstains from recrimination, omits all vulgar reproach, and forbears to name Hungary or Cracow. But with the privileged familiarity of brotherhood in oppression it says—we quite understand the fright you are in and the cause of it ; you know that our vested interests in spirit are the same, and we think you had better get to work your own fire-engines against "cosmopolitan revolution," and leave us to work ours in our own way without pretending to teach or preach, which under all the circumstances, we must submit would be rather ridiculous, indeed, if Austria expects to keep Galicia and not to restore Cracow. Prussia has a case for expostulation, that of indefeasible right of humanity and of nationhood ; England has a case for remonstrances, that of violated treaties ; but Austria, speaking as she does by the mouth of Count Rechberg, has no case either on the footing of national right or of international, for she has violated both in the case of Poland signally and shamelessly, and she has neither the conscience to make reparation or pretend to do so. Her lecturing the Czar on the misrule of his Polish provinces, because it may endanger the retention of hers, is the impertinence of imbecility, which it is not surprising that the Cabinet of St. Petersburg should not take the trouble to discuss at any length. Copies of the polite or elaborate answers addressed to London and Paris are sent to Count Balabine, for the information of the Court of Vienna ; and out of these it is welcome to spell if it can the intentions of Alexander II.

The replies of the Russian Government to the Western Powers are not wanting, however in length or ingenuity. With as little in common as the expostulations that have drawn them forth, they are obviously inspired by one aim and purpose, namely, that of distinguishing between the suggestions of France and those of England, and endeavouring to divide their counsels. Will this astute design succeed ? To judge aright on this point we must weight well the difference between the policy of the two Governments, which Russia either sees, or affect to see, revealed in the despatches of Lord Russell and M. Drouyn de Lhuys.

It is indeed quite true, as we pointed out last week, that while, faithful to our traditions, we take our stand upon the principle of legality, and invoke in defence of down-trodden Poland the protective spirit which, as regards that country, breathes in the Treaty of Vienna, the French Government, equally true to Imperial memories and instincts, could not be expected to take similar ground, but with great reason and justice preferred to found its appeal for lenity and liberty on the broader and certainly not less firm basis of indefeasible right and the inextinguishable claim of nationality. With our ideas and maxims of non-intervention in the domestic concerns of neighbouring States, it would have been impossible to make any serious or effective remonstrance on behalf of Poland, had we not been entitled to treat the case as essentially an exceptional one, and to urge the infraction of treaty obligations made with us by Russia.

On the other hand, remembering that by the very document we invoke the house of Bonaparte is dynastically outlawed, and territorial limits are assigned to France, Italy, and Austria, which the two former regard is as their highest praise and pride to have obliterated by the sword, it was impossible that Napoleon III. should have based his claim to interposition on behalf of the Poles on any other grounds than those which he assumed when going forth to liberate Italy from the Alps to the Adriatic.

Prince Gortschakoff, with the approved cunning of a trained diplomatist, seizes on the distinction between the terms of the two despatches, and deals with them accordingly. He pretends to be charmed with the frankness and freedom of Imperial France ; he agrees *ad literam* with the assertion of M. Drouyn de Lhuys, that the qualified independence and freedom formerly conceded by Russia proved unstable and abortive ; and therefore he affects to take for granted that France will concur in the futility of making any futher attempts in the like direction. But Napoleon III. well knows how busily the democratic spirit is at work throughout Europe, and as its most signal conqueror in his own dominions, his aid is prayed by the Czar in resisting it in his. Will not the hero of the *coup d' etat* help Russia to restore order in Warsaw ? There is no lack of embracing in the rest of the despatch. The bitterness of the implied sarcasm above noted is wrapped up in the most luscious of diplomatic confections, and there never was such a dose of reproachful poison accompanied by so many soft nothings. Let France only name her terms, and she may have them : anything, to crush revolution at home, and break the alliance of the Western Powers. But what, after all, is the worth of such wit ? Can the Court of Russia be so ill-informed as not to know that the Polish question is the one of all others upon which the versatile Emperor of the French cannot, if he would, turn round ? All France is for the Poles ; and an armed intervention for their rescue would be the most popular enterprise in which the Imperial Government could engage. Martial sympathy, religious feeling, popular good will, national tradition, point this once in the one way. It will be a marvel should consideration of mere prudence lead to a resistance of the strong temptation. It is a great mistake to suppose that to help Poland effectively, a vast army must traverse the whole breadth of Germany, and wage a campaign on the Vistula or the Bug. To create an effective diversion in favour of the insurgents, it would not be necessary to provoke into taking the wrong side all the prejudices and passions and petty interests of Fatherland. Sweden pants as a hound in the leash ; and the interests of Western Europe are more deeply concerned in restoring the Freedom of the Baltic than in the re-establishment of Polish independence. Then there is Posen, with its wealth, intelligence, and youth trained to arms ready to join the insurrection at the first whisper of a French army bivouacked on even the left bank of the Rhine. It may be very clever in Prince Gortschakoff thus ironically to accept the French remonstrance, and to remind the French Government of its own difficulties and dangers ; but looking at the gravity of the situation, the policy of such esoteric pleasantry may be more than doubted.

Before handing to Lord Russell Prince Gortschakoff's reply, Baron Brunnow addressed to him an interrogatory whose significancy cannot be mistaken. Referring to a former conversation, the Russian Ambassador asked whether he was still to understand that in remonstrating with his Government about Poland, the intentions of England were pacific ? Here, again we are inclined to say—too clever by half. The anxiety to bind our Government beforehand not to be angry, no matter what the answer to its friendly expostulations might be was a transparent and therefore an unwise manœuvre, and one which betrayed unmistakeable misgivings as to the ultimate issue. There certainly never was penned a more elaborate slight to the reclamations of a friendly Power than that to which we allude. While admitting that under the Treaty of 1815 Europe agreed to the territorial retention of partitioned Poland, by the three Powers, upon the express stipulation that the Poles should obtain the rights of "representation and national institutions, to be determined in conformity with the political existence which each of the Governments to which they belonged should consider it useful and expedient to grant to them,"—and while admitting that in compliance with this substantially plain though verbally vague condition, Alexander I. gave the newly-erected kingdom an elective constitution and a national army,—Prince Gortschakoff has the temerity to argue that by the granting of such institutions the promise of the Czar was redeemed, and that by their alleged failure to satisfy the people, they and all other similar institutions were for ever forfeited. What are the facts ? Whatever the sufficiency or insufficiency of the so-called Constitution of the 24th December 1815 may have been, it never was put to the proof ; for within a few months of its pompous promulgation, cabals were raised against it by the Russian autocracy, because a dependant realm had thus been given a degree of liberty which they feared might be extended to the other dominions of the Czar ; and regardless of every principle of honour, of the Treaty pledged to Europe, and his royal promise to the Poles, Alexander I. octroyed his boasted Constitution, and during the residue of his reign never again attempted to redeem his word. And this perfidy it is that Prince Gortschakoff now pleads in justification of the insolent and barbarous decree of eternal forfeiture which Nicholas in his fury pronounced when the defrauded and enraged Poles took arms to assert their rights in 1831. Lord Russell is no novice in political controversy, but even if he were, he could have little difficulty in dealing with this arrogant folly as it deserves. We have no doubt that he was perfectly sincere when he told Baron Brunnow that his remonstrance had been made with no other than pacific motives and intentions ; but the best wishes and the most friendly intentions cease to be worth anything when they are only to justify iniquity and fraud. In the main our purpose and that of France is the same in this matter ; and by artifices like these the astute diplomacy of St. Petersburg is but more closely twisting the cord round its own neck.

MICHELET ON WITCHES.*

(*From the London Review, May* 16.)

THIS little volume contains in abundance both the excellencies and the defects of its well-known and talented writer. A strange mixture of the historian, the philosopher, and the poet, M. Michelet is faithful to neither, but is either too hasty, too enthusiastic, or too prejudiced for them all. And these faults have increased upon him, rather than otherwise, with age. M. Michelet excels in pictures—perhaps we may say, to use the phrase of the day, in sensation scenes, and his language and style drag on the reader almost by force, and even make him leave his critical judgment behind him ; but for this effect, the accuracy of truth is too often sacrificed. An idea overrides a fact, and Michelet is, above all men, a man of ideas of his own. He has here taken up a subject most interesting in itself, and far

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THE TARTAR STEPPES.*

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THIS very readable volume opens with a few sentences which describe both its plan and its defects :—"My dear Friend,—As I am now going to plunge into the wilds of Siberia, I shall proceed to fulfil my promise, and give you a faithful account of every matter likely to interest you, which may befall me in this land of ice and snow." This intention is rigidly carried out. We find throughout the volume full descriptions of what "befell Mrs. Atkinson," told in a very lively and interesting fashion. But we wish for some account of what did *not* befall Mrs. Atkinson. We look in vain for any description of the main features of the country through which she travelled. So far as the book itself is concerned, we do not know whether or not the countries which she visited have either government, laws, religion, or large institutions of any kind. This is to be regretted, as a writer who can wield her pen with so much precision and effect. Another source of unceasing regret is the absence of a map, or, in default of a map, of any well defined *carte de route.* In this respect alone is there a want of precision. We start with Mrs. Atkinson from Moscow, arrive with her at Nijni Novgorod, and find ourselves, without knowing it, across the Oural mountains and far away into Siberia. We mount our horses with Mrs. Gray, Mrs. Atkinson being advocate general, and they hoped for nothing more fervently than the extinction of nature itself—the end of the world. Hence they sought to enforce celibacy and prevent the propagation of mankind, and they humiliated and despised the sex which served specially to that end. Thus originated monachism, and men and women too fled to the solitude of the desert, where they were alone, and in perpetual contest with the demons, who alone shared the wilderness with them. Nature was full of demons, and in nature and the demons all was activity, while the ascetics taught passive faith, and look at activity, either mental or bodily, all attempt at development, as impiety. The difference between this dark view of asceticism and the outward world of nature, the people which sought happiness in the family and which loved to live, the struggle and confusion, the destructive and universal ruin which appeared everywhere, brought on feudalism and serfdom, and dragged people into despair. It was this despair which drove the woman, who suffered most and had most time to brood over her sufferings, who was superstitious and credulous, and by temperament easily subject to delusions, to seek aid and protection from the demons, and she became a witch. Then followed the sabbath, the initiation and pact, the triumph and vengeance. The witches obtained unknown strength and power for evil, and sometimes even for good. Satan taught them the profound secrets of medicine. They became acquainted with the dangerous virtues of plants, and they alone were authorized to employ them with effect. Paracelsus, the great doctor of the Renaissance, in a moment of disgust burnt the books of the ancient physicians, and those of the Jews and Arabs, and declared that all the true knowledge he had learned came from the popular medicine of old women, or witches, and of shepherds ! They became also acquainted with the plants which affected the brain and the senses, and thus increased their own delusions while they created delusions in others. Still more, they studied their deadly qualities and became subtle poisoners.

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* Recollections of Tartar Steppes and their Inhabitants. By Mrs. Atkinson. With Illustrations. Murray. 1863.

"Here we made up our minds to stay the night [on the very summit of a bare mountain, without tents or shelter], as a fearful thunder-storm came on, accompanied by rain and hail. In the morning we found the ground covered with snow six inches deep, giving every place a wintery aspect ; and, moreover, while at breakfast, a Cossack came to tell us that a camel had just fallen a little below, and was killed on the spot. . . . . While we were occupied, . . . a man arrived to say that eight horses had fallen down the mountain, and were killed. We determined to await the morrow, fearing to meet with a like disaster. Still it was unpleasant to be prisoners on the brink of such a gulf as the one on which we were situated" (p. 161.)

At this latter time it will surprise the reader to be told that Mrs. Atkinson had a baby of a few months old who was from the time of his birth the constant companion of her travels, and to whom it is really a relief, amidst so much that is fearless and masculine, to find that she devoted herself with the most intense devotion and genuine motherly anxiety.

The story of the birth of this baby is amusing and characteristic in the extreme. Mrs. Atkinson narrates that she had not expected its advent till the end of December. Expecting before that to return to some spot of civilization, she had not thought of making any preparation for the event, "when, lo and behold, on the 4th of November, at twenty minutes past four, p.m., he made his appearance." Mrs. Atkinson was astonished, but not daunted. The attendant told her, she informs us with the most *naive* simplicity, that "the premature birth was caused by excessive exercise on horseback,"—a circumstance at which we are not surprised, when we read just previously, "It was too late to think of starting that day, for we had ridden a distance of 150 versts (a verst is three-quarters of an English mile) without having tasted anything either solid or liquid, with the exception of the rum and water-melon." The new-born boy was named, we are hardly surprised to hear, by no names to be found in any Christian vocabulary, but Alatau Tamchibouluc. The former name was derived from the mountain range at the foot of which he was born. The second was from a very beautiful dropping-spring which breaks out of a gravel-bed, close to which this child of the mountains—a wanderer from his birth—was first called into existence. The mother herself was astonished, as we said, but nothing daunted by this unexpected arrival.

"The day after my little man was born," she says, "I got up, and, after walking about the room and doing a few odd things, I went to bed again,—but the day after I got up after breakfast, and have been up during the whole day ever since" (p. 106).

Mrs. Atkinson's powers of riding are remarkable. A capital scene is recorded on pp. 190-2. She was mounted on a wild horse, which, not unnaturally, objected to a cloak which she had thrown over herself, and, as we conclude from her description, over her child, whom she carried always in her lap when on horseback. The animal shied fearfully, and then started over the plain at full speed. "No efforts of mine," says the lady, "could stop him. So, sticking to him like a leech, I waited patiently till he should tire himself or be caught by the Cossack who was galloping after me." The Cossacks were in intense admiration of such fearless horsemanship. Her principal attendant patted her on the back with approbation, and showed her how a Tartar woman would have behaved under such circumstances. This he demonstrated by first screaming, and then letting himself fall to the ground from off his horse. On their return to camp, the lady received loud congratulations for her bravery. She expresses her belief, that had she remained longer in the Steppe, a woman would no longer have been regarded as so contemptible a being as they now consider her to be. So great, indeed, was the wonder of the simple natives of the Tartar tribes at the sight of a European woman, that they did not believe that she *was* a woman, and, *she being a man*, her husband and herself were regarded

EXHIBITION OF THE ROYAL ACADEMY.

(SECOND NOTICE.)

(From the Times, May 7.)

(Continued from our yesterday's Number.)

MR. E. ARMITAGE'S "Burial of a Christian Martyr" also deserved a more conspicuous place, as one of the rare pictures here representative of that severer academic style which has so many devotees in France, and so few in this country. The scene is in the catacombs. The body of a young martyr, with the blood of the amphitheatre still staining his naked limbs here and there, is lowered down by a rope through one of the air-holes, and received lovingly and reverently for interment by his father and brother, his sister and his betrothed. There is a solemnity and simplicity in the treatment of the subject strictly in harmony with its associations, and the absence of the decorative or sensuously attractive element is as fairly attributable to the judicious reserve of the painter as to any want of command over such resources of his art. Near this picture, and hung even more unfavourably, is a medievally-treated "Juliet and her Nurse" (624), by E. S. Stanhope, very noticeable for the singular sweetness and tenderness of the head of Juliet, and for the commendable originality in the conception of the nurse. Had the sky of Mark Anthony's "Feudal Ruin" (Larne Castle, we believe), been as grand as the ivy-clad castle itself, reflected in its still, tidal waters, with a last lingering gleam of sunlight gilding its ramparts, this would have ranked high among the many works of this painter. But the sky strikes us as weak in the form of its clouds, and blurred and feeble in colour.

Mr. Hayllar, in his "Life and Death" (628), has treated a subject painted by Mr. Walter Field with the same title. We noticed Mr. Field's painting in an article on the British Institution this year. Under these circumstances, Mr. Hayllar would have done well to change the name of his picture. It is the story of Cromwell allowing three officers, sentenced to death by court-martial, to settle by lot which of the three shall suffer for all. A child was chosen to draw the fatal paper. The shy action of the handsome little boy, and the varying expressions of resignation in the three officers, have been extremely well rendered by Mr. Hayllar; and there is excellent painting in the troopers, from whom the firing party is to be selected. Indeed, they are, perhaps, made too much of, for their part in the story. The long practice of this painter on single figures of little significance is evidently now bearing fruit, in works of powerful and well-studied expression, and this year's picture is the best fruit of this kind Mr. Hayllar has yet produced.

Mr. Marks is a painter who never misses character of the humorous kind. In his "How Shaksbeare Studied" (261), a scene near the door of the Swan, in Bankside, with Shaksbeare watching possible originals of Shallow, Pistol, and Sir Andrew Aguecheek in close confabulation, Mr. Marks has been more successful in every personage of this picture than in the group and photo-heliograph from Kew, did the most important work at the last total solar eclipse; Carrington, at Red Hill, has stored for years more regular andimportant details of the sun-spots than any professional astronomer; Nasmyth, of steam-hammer notoriety, discovered those strange bright streaks, the "willow leaves," with which the sun's whole surface is covered; but no one has for a longer period more continuously, more practically, or so modestly and so unsumingly, done such magnificent deeds in behalf of the progress of knowledge and in aid of certain branches of scientific investigations as Mr. Gassiot, of Clapham. Of his wonderful electrical apparatus there are but few who have not heard, but there are not many who have seen; indeed, all that the world knows of Mr. Gassiot's scientific doings is obtained far more from what is spoken of them by others than by any prominence he himself gives to his labours and his almost lavish expenditure. At the Royal Society last week there was described and exhibited the most exquisite and wonderful spectroscope that has ever been constructed. We need scarcely say it was Mr. Gassiot's. Rumour says it has cost £200; but the cost had not been a consideration with the owner. He had been brought, as one of the jurors during the Great Exhibition of 1851, into communication with Mr. Browning of the Minories, and at a subsequent period he had been shown by that clever manufacturer an admirable spectroscope with two prisms and a magnifying power of 40 lineur. When Professor Roscoe figured in his book on "Spectrum Analysis" the instrument made by Steinheil, of Munich, for Kirchoff and Bunsen, with three prisms of 45° and one of 60°, Mr. Gassiot's attention was attracted by some elementary experiments of Mr. Browning to show the practicability of constructing a spectroscope of far higher power. The order which one might have expected was given—to construct the most complete and powerful instrument that was possible for practical use. It has been done, and the instrument, with its micrometers, verniers, telescope-scales, collimator, eye-pieces, and every desirable means for accuracy and minuteness of detail in observation, and facility of repeating experiments with the greatest certainty, is before the world. The means for the latter result will be appreciated by every operator that has been obliged to work with minute portions of substances or limited extents of surface. Not only is the instrument of the finest possible workmanship, but there have been introduced into its construction so many practical contrivances for facilitating its use, that it will be difficult indeed for any future instrument to surpass it. The reflecting portion consists of a train of nine prisms of Chance's extra-dense optical flint-glass of nearly 4 specific gravity—the prisms increasing in size in the order they occupy, so as not in the first case to offer more resistance than could be avoided to the passage of the light, and ultimately, as the rays were spread open in passing from prism to prism, by their gradual enlargement of size to prevent any escaping beyond the boundaries of the prisms themselves. The prisms are all made to the angle of 45°, and not 60°, or right-angled, as commonly employed, whereby the rays of light are much more economically preserved, loss of light by reflection prevented, the largest surface presented to the telescope, and many other advantages obtained.

The result fully justifies the adoption of this arrangement, as the simple experiment of using a common spirit-lamp with a salted wick at once proves, the light passing readily through the whole train of prisms, and the familiar double lines D being distinctly visible even with a magnifying power in the telescope of a hundred diameters.

As an illustration of the cost, care, and difficulty of manufacturing the prisms, we may mention that in one case no less than two blocks of glass, costing upwards of £2 each were cut up and rejected through defects in their substance, and out of the third only one prism was obtained, which thus in waste material and workmanship—for the difficulty of grinding and polishing to a perfectly flat surface is very great—cost a sum of seven or eight pounds. Each prism is mounted on a separate plate with a V fitting, a great improvement on the ordinary glueing down, and is retained in its place by a moveable clamping-screw attached to a curved upright, which coincides with the apex of the prism and forms a guard—a most necessary protection, for fragments split off from the dense glass if the prisms are even roughly handled in ordinary lifting. Moreover, by this method of fixing, the prisms can be adjusted with the greatest accuracy—a thing not possible at all in the old method pursued by other makers. Another improvement is the placing of the pivoting points for the turning of the prisms at the side, or more properly base, instead of in the centre, as this arrangement permits them to be turned quite round, free of each other, and without their angles being brought into contact, as must be the case when they are made to rotate on their centres. The ordinary milled-headed screws are not used, but the screws employed have heads sunk into the plates in which they work, and are moved by a key which fits into a square socket in the sunk head. No one thus can derange the instrument. The circular plate on which the prisms are placed is mounted eccentrically on the main plate of the instrument, in order that the centre of the last prism coincides with the centre of the main plate, the circular index-scale on its outer rim may be read at once correctly. When a reflector is used at the end of the train of prisms, a special adjustment is provided for by a notch and stop, for bringing its centre, instead of that of the last prism, into coincidence with the centre